### Virginia Appalachian Regional Commission How-to Apply Workshop

January 17, 2023







# Agenda

- · Intro 5 min
- · ARC Overview 5 min
- · Virginia's ARC Program Overview 10 min
- · Project Development 10 min
- · Preparing an ARC Application 45 min
- · INSPIRE: Brief Overview 5 min
- · Q&A 5 min
- · Closing Remarks and Upcoming Events 5 min

# **ARC: High-Level Overview**



#### **ARC VISION STATEMENT**

Appalachia is a region of great opportunity that will achieve socioeconomic parity with the nation

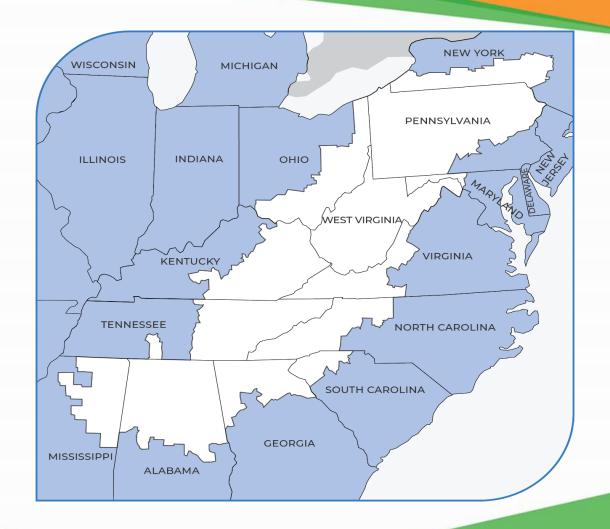
#### **ARC MISSION STATEMENT**

Innovate, partner, and invest to build community capacity and strengthen economic growth in Appalachia



### Appalachian Region

- 13 states
- 423 counties
- 205,000 square miles
- 26 million people
- 74 local development districts





### ARC Strategic Goal Areas



#### **CREATE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES**



### **DEVELOP A READY WORKFORCE**



### **BUILD CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE**



**CULTIVATE NATURAL AND CULTURAL ASSETS** 



FOSTER LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY CAPACITY



### Application Requirements

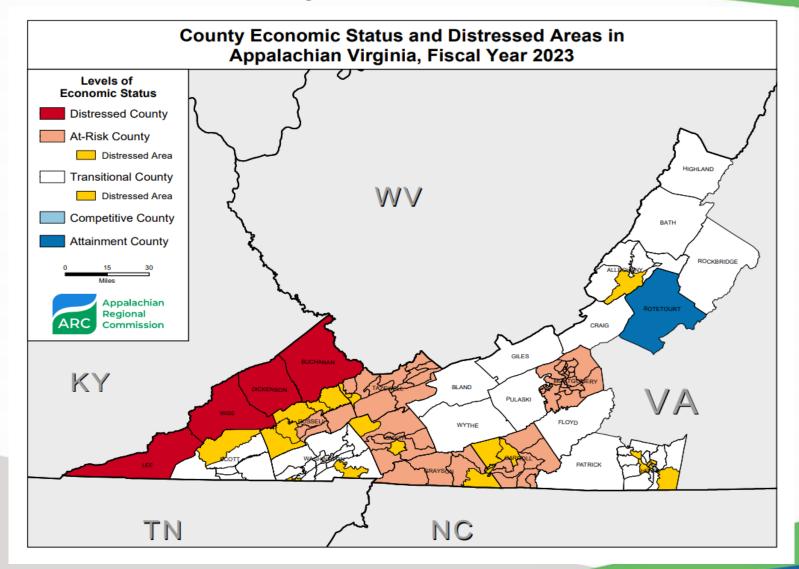
- Eligible entities include state and local agencies, local governing boards, nonprofit organizations, Indian tribes, and higher education institutions
- Applicants must have an active registration in SAM (System for Award Management). Register in SAM at <u>www.sam.gov</u>.
- Match is required
- All projects must advance at least one of ARC's current strategic goals



# ARC Program in Virginia



## 2023 County Economic Status

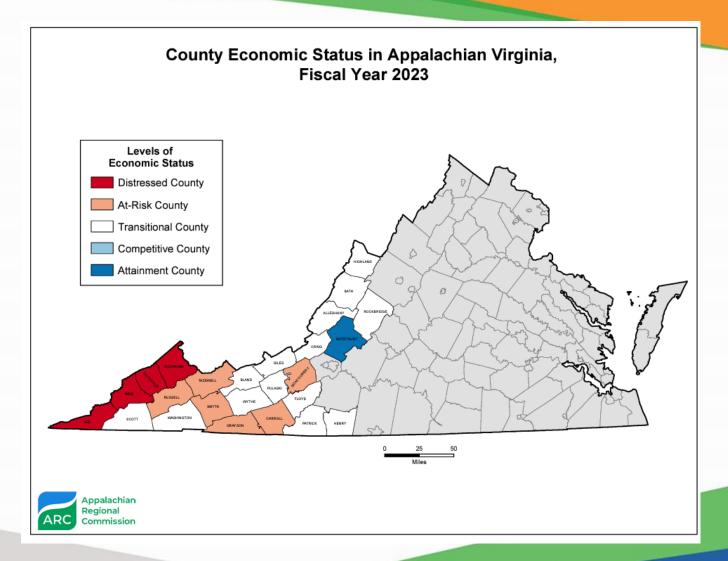




# ARC in Virginia

Alleghany, Bath, Bland, Botetourt, Buchanan, Carroll, Craig, Dickenson, Floyd, Giles, Grayson, Henry, Highland, Lee, Montgomery, Patrick, Pulaski, Rockbridge, Russell, Scott, Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, Wise, and Wythe

The following independent cities: Bristol, Buena Vista, Covington, Galax, Lexington, Martinsville, Norton, and Radford





### Virginia's ARC Local Development Districts





# Virginia's Investment Priorities

- Broadband infrastructure
- Water/wastewater infrastructure
- Small business and entrepreneurial efforts
- Strengthen local and regional capacity
- Address unmet housing needs and support affordable housing efforts with economic development
- Expand energy sources



# Virginia ARC Funding Caps

Project Type	Funding Cap
Construction	Up to \$700,000
Non-Construction/Planning Grant	Up to \$100,000
Planning Grant	Up to \$50,000 for single or \$100,000 for regional
Regional Non-Construction Projects	Up to \$250,000
Access Road	Up to \$500,000



# ARC Application Process and Timeline

Process	Timeframe
ARC Applications Due	March 1, 2023
Funding Recommendations to Governor	April 2023
DHCD Submits Apps to ARC	June 2023 - August 2023
ARC Approvals	Between July and September 2023
DHCD Contract Negotiations	December 2023 - January 2024



# DHCD Happenings

- ARC TA Sessions Feb 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Contact DHCD staff to schedule
- CDBG Input Session January 26, 9-10 am
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program opens July 1, 2023
- Industrial Revitalization Fund begins Spring 2023
- Virginia Main Street Webinar: Broad-based Community Commitment to Revitalization - January 19, 2023
- Grant Management Workshop January 24-26, 9-12 am (contact <u>jeffrey.szyperski@dhcd.virginia.gov</u> to register)



# Thank you!

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